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EDIT IN THAI RATH, THAILAND'S LARGEST CIRCULATION DAILY,
SEPTEMBER 30 DISCUSSES THE HIJACK OF JAPANESE JETLINER OVER INDIA,
SAYING INCIDENT "HAS BROUGHT TERROR TO AIR TRAVELERS THROUGHOUT
THE WORLD AND ALSO AFFECTED THAI CIVIL AVIATION CIRCLES." EDIT
WARNS THAT TIGHTER SECURITY MEASURES SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED TOO ENSURE
SAFE AIR TRAVEL.

EMPHASIZING THAT HIJACKING IS THE SAME AS INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM,
EDIT SUGGESTS THAT EVERY COUNTRY SHOULD "COOPERATE WITH ONE ANOTHER
IN THE BEST AND SAFEST WAY TO PRESERVE THE LIVES OF PASSENGERS."
EDIT CONCLUDES: "IT IS THE DUTY OF OFFICIALS CONCERNED, AND OF
PASSENGERS TOO, TO COOPERATE CLOSELY WITH ONE ANOTHER FOR EVERYONE'S
SAFETY. WE FEEL THAT PASSENGERS MUST GIVE COOPERATION TO AUTHORITIES
,
BECAUSE HIJACKERS OFTEN USE LOOPHOLES IN PASSENGER INSPECTION
PROCEDURES TO CARRY OUT TERRORISM.

"THE QUESTION OF SAFETY FOR PASSENGERS, AS WELL AS MEASURES TO
PREVENT AIR HIJACKINGS, IS NOT FOR ANY SINGLE COUNTRY TO SOLVE,
BUT IS A PROBLEM FACING EVERY COUNTRY, THE SOLUTION OF WHICH
REQUIRES JOINT ACTION, INCLUDING DISASTER PREVENTIVE MEASURES,
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PUNITIVE MEASURES AND EVEN EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON MOVEMENTS
OF TERRORISTS."
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